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SEVENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
DIRECTORS  
OF THE  
General Hospital Society  
OF  
CONNECTICUT  
For the Year 1899

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Presented at the Annual Meeting, January 25th, 1900

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1900

# ADMISSION OF PATIENTS

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1. Applications for the admission of patients should be accompanied by a certificate from some respectable physician, stating the nature and probable duration of the disease, and should be addressed to the Superintendent of the Hospital, New Haven, Conn. In accordance with the regulations of the hospital, the Superintendent, as the representative of the Prudential Committee, arranges the terms of admission according to the circumstances of the case and the accommodation required.

2. The nursing is performed by the Connecticut Training School for Nurses.

3. The ordinary charge per week for accommodation in the wards is \$7.00, which includes medical and surgical attendance, together with medicine, nursing and washing.

4. Private rooms are furnished at \$20.00 or more per week, according to the requirements of the case.

5. Persons partly supported by the towns in which they reside and partly by the State appropriations, are admitted on an order from the town authorities. Town patients are received at \$5.00 per week.

6. Soldiers enrolled on the State quota in the Civil war, or in the quotas of other States if residents of Connecticut at the time of enlistment, and now residents, are admitted as State patients on an order from the executive officer of the Soldiers' Hospital Board.

7. Sailors whose support is provided for from the marine hospital fund are admitted on the order of the Collector of the Port of New Haven.

8. Persons carried directly to the hospital from the place of an accident are immediately admitted.

9. A written history of the case should be sent with the patient.

10. *Insane persons* and those suffering from *contagious diseases* are not admitted.



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## 1900

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JANUARY 26, 1900.

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\* Deceased.

## FREE BEDS.

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A donation of \$5,000 entitles the donor, his heirs and assigns, to nominate patients to a free bed for one hundred years, or during the lives of any three persons whom he may nominate.

A donation of \$2,500 entitles the donor to nominate patients to a free bed, *for six months in each year*, for one hundred years, or during the lives of any three persons whom he may nominate ; or to nominate patients to a free bed during his life.

A donation of \$1,000 entitles the donor to nominate patients to a free bed for any three months in each year during his life.

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## FREE BED FUNDS.

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### FREE BEDS.

1874—The Henry Farnum,	.	One
1874—The William Fitch,	.	"
1874—The James E. English,	.	"
1878—The Ellen M. Gifford,	.	"
1881-83—The Henry Bronson,	.	Two
1883—The Thanksgiving,	.	One
1885—The Henry Hotchkiss Memorial,	.	"
1886—The William O. Armstrong,	.	"
1886—The Mary Webster Southgate Trowbridge Memorial,	.	"
1888-90—The Dr. Thomas Wells Memorial,	.	"
1888—The Mary P. Wade, of Trinity Church,	.	"
1890—The Harmanus M. Welch,	.	"
1892—The George Thomas Smith, Memorial of David Paige Smith, M.D.,	.	"

### FREE BEDS FOR SIX MONTHS.

1886—The Dwight Place Society,	.	One
1886—The Trinity Church,	.	"
1888—The Home for the Friendless,	.	"

### FREE BED FOR THREE MONTHS.

1883—The Rose A. Porter,	.	One
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## THE MARETT FUND.

For the support of free beds for poor patients.

In 1899 the income supported 125 patients for 729 weeks.

## THE JAMES E. ENGLISH FUND.

For the support of free beds for poor patients.

In 1899 the income supported 22 patients for 127½ weeks.

## THE ELLEN M. GIFFORD FUNDS.

For the support of the Ellen M. Gifford Home for Incurables.

In 1899 33 patients were supported for 1,155½ weeks.

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FORM OF BEQUEST.

*Item.*—I give and bequeath to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut, in the City of New Haven, the sum of ——— dollars, to be paid by my executors, out of my real or personal estate, as soon as the settlement of my affairs will permit, to the treasurer of said institution for the time being, in trust, to be applied by the directors thereof to the humane purposes of said institution.







NEW HAVEN HOSPITAL—VIEW FROM SOUTHEAST.

# REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors has the honor to present herewith to the General Hospital Society of Connecticut its seventy-third annual report, as prepared by the Prudential Committee.

Number of Patients.	1899.
January 1st, 1899, . . . . .	121
Admitted, . . . . .	1083
Whole number treated, . . . . .	1204
Discharged, . . . . .	913
Died, . . . . .	156
Remaining, . . . . .	135
Births (not including 2 still), . . . . .	50
Largest number any one day, . . . . .	144
Smallest number any one day, . . . . .	99
Daily average, . . . . .	119.7
Daily average of—	
(1) Attendants, . . . . .	103
(2) Nurses, . . . . .	43.4
Cost of Food per inmate, . . . . .	33.5
Current Receipts, . . . . .	\$51,922.04
Current Expenses, . . . . .	63,059.03
Deficit, . . . . .	11,136.99
Ambulance Calls, . . . . .	294
Hospital Sunday Collections, . . . . .	\$2,383.76

The use made of the Charity Funds during the last year will appear from the following table :

FUNDS.	No. Patients.	Weeks Occupied.	Daily Average.	Paid by Patients.	Drawn from Funds.	Total Cost.
Marett.....	125	729	14	\$238.79	\$ 7,242.55	\$ 7,481.34
Gifford.....	33	1155 $\frac{4}{7}$	22 $\frac{1}{6}$	656.15	11,613.75	12,269.90
English.....	22	127 $\frac{6}{7}$	2 $\frac{1}{3}$	4.00	1,280.68	1,284.68
Totals ----	180	2002 $\frac{2}{7}$	38 $\frac{1}{2}$	\$898.94	\$20,136.98	\$21,035.92

In the way of comment upon the above statistics, it may be observed :

(1) Leaving out the year 1898, which was exeptional by reason of our soldier patients, the whole number of patients in the year which we have just closed was greater than in any

previous year of our history. It is interesting to note that the increase has been largely in self-paying patients.

(2) With the same exception, our receipts have been greater in 1899 than in any previous year, and if special donations on account of the soldiers' presence be excluded, the receipts are much greater than in 1898, especially in the last quarter when they nearly equalled our expenditures. But a part of this increase is referable to the payment by the United States during the last quarter of the long delayed earnings of 1898—a debt which we carried for nearly a year.

(3) While the increase in the number of patients, and therefore in the amount of our work, and other causes to be mentioned later on, have involved us in increased expenditures, so that our expenses have been greater than in previous years, our deficit in the income and expense account is less than a year ago by \$1,533.31. In this result we have found encouragement for the future.

(4) There have been unusual demands upon our charity funds and more than usual occupancy of our free beds almost throughout the year. Sometimes these demands were greater than we could meet. Our draught upon these Charity funds is greater than in the year previous by \$2,066, and upon one of them—the English—we have made a slight overdraft. This has been a very noticeable feature in the year's operations. Our impression is that it may arise from special causes, but possibly it indicates our need of larger endowments.

(5) The whole number of weeks occupied in 1899 was 6241 $\frac{1}{4}$ ; of which 1374 weeks were occupied by town patients. These had the benefit of the State appropriation to the extent of \$3.64 per week. Even with this addition the rate for town patients does not meet the expense on their account.

(6) It is gratifying to notice that the collections on Hospital Sunday for 1899 showed a considerable increase as compared with the year previous. We hope this is an indication of increasing public confidence, and trust that we shall continue to deserve, and to receive that confidence, especially in view of the great advance which has been made in our arrangements for the comfort, and our appliances for the skilful treatment of our patients.

The following table will show the weekly cost of supporting patients from the year 1892, in which the Gifford Home was opened, to the year 1899, both included; and also the daily cost of food per inmate:

WEEKLY COST OF SUPPORTING PATIENTS FOR LAST EIGHT YEARS; ALSO DAILY COST OF FOOD PER INMATE.

Year.	Daily average of patients.	Daily average attendants and others.	Weekly cost.	Daily cost of food per inmate.
1892	112.4	83.3	\$8.46 <sup>6</sup>	.30 <sup>¢</sup>
1893	121.9	96.6	8.95 <sup>1</sup> <sub>3</sub>	.30 <sup>8</sup>
1894	113.	96.	9.07	.29 <sup>5</sup>
1895	111.8	96.6	8.86	.30 <sup>3</sup>
1896	112.	98.7	8.77	.29 <sup>8</sup>
1897	118.4	99.	8.95 <sup>1</sup> <sub>8</sub>	.30 <sup>75</sup>
1898	123.5	105.6	9.47	.33 <sup>3</sup>
1899	119.7	103.	10.03	.33 <sup>5</sup>

The following table will show the number of patients of each class, the weeks occupied, the amounts received, the actual cost, and the balance which was paid from the resources of the Hospital:

Classification of Patients.	Number of Patients.	Weeks Occupied.	Rate per Week.	Amount Received.	Cost at \$10.03 per week.	Loss.	Profit.
U. S. War Department	5	22	\$7.	\$ 154.00	\$ 220.66	\$ 66.66	
U. S. Marine	37	81 <sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub>	7.	492.00	813.86	321.86	
State Soldier	18	105 <sup>3</sup> <sub>4</sub>	6.	641.13	1,060.32	419.19	
Towns	211	1374	5.	*11,996.54	13,781.22	1,784.68	
Self-paying in wards	392	1668 <sup>3</sup> <sub>10</sub>	7.	†10,993.86	16,732.91	5,739.05	
Charity and Free Beds	460	2755		898.94	27,632.65	26,733.71	
				\$25,176.47	\$60,241.62	\$35,065.15	
Self-paying in private rooms	81	235 <sup>3</sup> <sub>2</sub>	\$15. and \$20.	4,820.94	2,358.48		\$2,462.46
Totals	1204	6241 <sup>4</sup> <sub>3</sub>				\$32,602.69	Drawn from Treasury.

\* Including State appropriation credited to towns.

† Amount actually received—i. e., amount receivable less sums still owed by patients, good and bad debts.

The following table exhibits the number of weeks occupied by charity and free-bed patients each year for the past ten years :

1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1897	1898	1899
961 $\frac{2}{7}$	1107 $\frac{4}{7}$	1472 $\frac{4}{7}$	2137 $\frac{4}{7}$	1989 $\frac{3}{7}$	2163 $\frac{1}{7}$	2317	2395 $\frac{2}{7}$	2394 $\frac{2}{7}$	2755

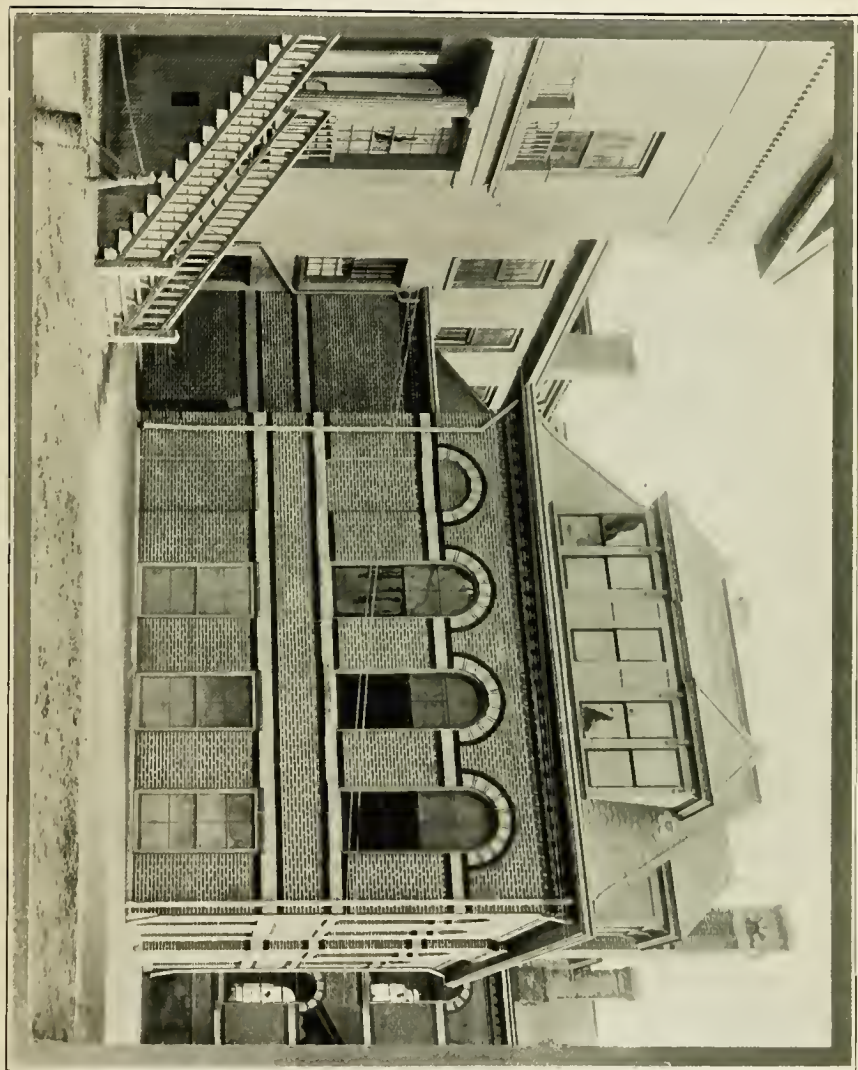
Of the whole number of patients in the Hospital in 1899, 738 were males and 466 females. Of the 50 births, 22 were males, 28 females. Of the whole number registered, 635 were discharged cured, 230 improved, 32 unimproved, 16 without treatment; 156 died, 135 remained at the year's end. Of the number admitted in 1899, 723 were residents of New Haven; the remainder came from 70 different towns and villages in this State, and from 13 other States. The average residence of each patient was  $5\frac{1}{5}$  weeks, or deducting those residing the whole year,  $4\frac{1}{6}$  weeks.

The cost of food per inmate in 1899, as compared with 1898, showed a very slight advance—only two-tenths of a cent. But regarding 1898 as exceptional and taking for a comparison 1897, the increase is about 10 per cent. This represents the average advance in the market price of very important supplies. Meat and poultry have advanced 20 per cent., butter on the average 10 per cent., recently 30 and even 40 per cent. To this cause we must attribute very largely the advance in the weekly cost of supporting our inmates from \$8.95 $\frac{1}{2}$  in 1897, and \$9.47 in 1898, to \$10.03 in 1899. We can trace 44 cents of this advance to the enhanced cost of food. The change in our dietary system spoken of in our last report has proved to be in the interest of economy and good service.

The year just closed brought us very special cares and large expenses. Of course the great event of it was the erection and occupation of the new wing containing kitchen, nurses' dining-room and sewing room, together with rooms for male help on the third floor. This result involved extensive changes in the administration building. It was impossible to accomplish so much without some disturbance of the life of the Hospital. It was our purpose to make the disturbance as slight as possible. To do this no doubt we somewhat protracted the process. It proved not a little tedious. The work



NEW KITCHEN WING







was commenced in March, and we hoped to be able to enter the new building before mid-summer. Instead of that, the kitchen was not ready for use until Sept. 11, and the nurses' dining-room could not be occupied until Oct. 8th. The changes in the old building were not completed until nearly the end of the year. But with the result we feel amply repaid. The relief brought by our new arrangements and conveniences it would be difficult to exaggerate. It is even greater than our expectations, and will facilitate our work for many years to come.

The total cost of the new kitchen wing and the changes in the other buildings to correspond was \$15,432.93. A list of the bills incurred and paid accompanies this report.

It must be admitted that some of the outlays in the administration building might have been charged, without impropriety, to the account of repairs and improvements, but for the supposition that the kitchen fund would cover them. Sometimes to discriminate to which account certain items ought to go was not entirely easy. If the Prudential Committee, as against the Building Committee, have erred in this particular, they cordially accept the responsibility.

The new Maternity Ward was commenced later in the spring, was somewhat delayed by the non-delivery of the ironwork needed, but was covered before winter, and will be completed and equipped, we trust, before many months. About half the cost has been met by us, and we have the funds in hand or promised to meet the remainder. Standing separate from the Hospital, it has not in any way hindered our regular work, nor involved any changes in the older buildings, save the opening of a connection from the cellar of Bronson Ward to the cellar of the Maternity Ward, by sub-way.

Aside from these building operations, yet in some particulars not wholly unconnected with them, the year has laid upon us serious expenditures. Our water supply has long been insufficient, and the necessity was laid upon us of renewing our supply-pipe at a cost of \$233.00. The old pipes were too small for the increasing use, besides being badly corroded and filled up. After conference with the Water Company, it was decided to lay a new three-inch galvanized iron pipe as far as

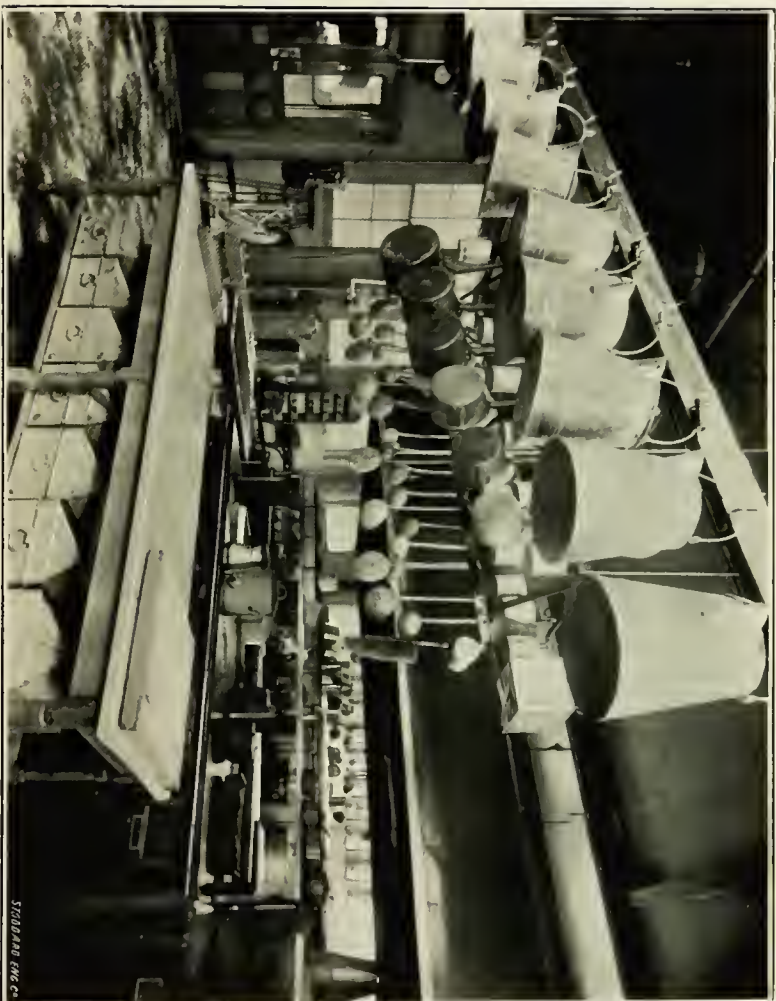
the new kitchen, the Water Company supplying a new meter. We have had similar inconvenience from insufficient light, and in the autumn the situation became insupportable. On bringing the matter to the Gas Light Company's notice, they laid a new supply pipe and furnished a larger meter, to our great relief. This, however, involved no expense to us.

We have reported before the need there was of renewing the plumbing in the east wing of the Congress Ave. building. In the spring of 1899 we felt that the work could not be longer delayed. A contract for it was made for \$345.00, and this contract was satisfactorily executed during the season. The plumbing supplanted had been in use for twenty-five years, and was giving us some uneasiness. We are glad to report this improvement, while we regretted the necessity of the outlay.

The gutters and roofs of the Congress Ave. building also required extensive repairs. Our pavilions and morgue also gave us trouble of the same sort. The roofs were leaking, and we had to do something to renew them. The interference of the Fire Marshal obliged us to use slate instead of shingles, and this together with interior repairs made our entire outlay some \$275.00.

New electrical apparatus was installed on the request of the Medical Board, and a new surgical truck in 1 East; also, a new microscope. We are glad to report a further addition to our appliances which, while very valuable to us, did not involve us in any expense. We received during the summer, from the executor of the estate of Mr. Charles A. Watrous, a gift of \$500, to be applied to the purchase of an X-ray apparatus and its installation and maintenance. The order of this apparatus was placed by the Laboratory Committee at our request, and we fitted up a room according to their requirements. It is now ready for use as occasion demands. This was a material addition to our equipment, and was very thankfully received.

The weekly cost of maintaining our operations at the Hospital has been shown by one of the tables given above to be steadily increasing. This fact has enlisted our attention and led to a comparison of our experience with that of other Hospitals to whose reports we had access, in New England or its



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neighborhood. As these reports do not always correspond with ours in the method of their make-up, and do not always give all the items we should be glad to ascertain, our figures may not be in all particulars absolutely accurate, but we doubt not they are approximately so. The following table exhibits the results of our investigations:

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE WEEKLY COST OF FOURTEEN HOSPITALS FROM  
LATEST REPORTS ACCESSIBLE.

Name of Hospital.	Daily average of Patients.	Weekly cost.
New Haven .....	119 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>10</sub>	\$10.03
Hartford .....	163 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>6</sub>	9.99
Bridgeport .....	66 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>6</sub>	9.28
Norwich .....	28.	12.45
Rhode Island .....	168 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub>	9.94
Worcester .....	94 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>6</sub>	10.86
Boston City .....	482.	11.00
Massachusetts General .....	253.	13.17
Roosevelt, N. Y. ....	169.	13.12
Presbyterian, N. Y. ....	178.	17.37
*St. Luke's, N. Y. ....	225 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	11.94
University of Pennsylvania .....	147 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>6</sub>	11.79
Pennsylvania .....	244 <sup>6</sup> / <sub>10</sub>	7.98
Waterbury .....	36.	10.26

It will be seen that this exhibit is not unfavorable to our Hospital. It might be shown, also, that everywhere the cost per week is increasing. The truth is that in proportion as the treatment becomes more scientific, it becomes also more expensive.

In March last Mr. W. W. Jones, who for four and a half years had been the clerk in the Hospital, resigned to become the Superintendent of the Bridgeport Hospital, and Mr. Frank E. Leggett was appointed in his place. In April last Mrs. E. G. Wiley, the housekeeper, also resigned, and later Mrs. Isabella H. De Graff was appointed to fill the vacancy.

We feel constrained anew to emphasize our need of additional machinery in the laundry. The expense of over-time labor is a serious item which might be avoided if we had better appliances; and we should besides have better results.

\* St. Luke's cost per week does not include cost of private-room patients.

It is our pleasant duty thankfully to acknowledge our obligations to many friends for coöperation in our work, or gifts in aid of it, or kind offices in promoting the welfare of those under our care. Among these should be enumerated the ministers of the city who have conducted religious services in the chapel; and to the Society of Christian Endeavor of Calvary Baptist Church, which has sent a quartette every Sunday afternoon to sing in the wards. Also, Miss Rose Porter and other ladies who have continued regular instruction to invalid children by a kindergarten teacher. Also, the Hospital Aid Society, and the Needlework Guild for the supply of garments. Also the kind friend who for the ninth time provided in the summer a steamboat excursion for patients, nurses and attendants that could participate, and on the same day special gratifications for such as could not leave the Hospital. This is a very kindly service, which is highly appreciated. We should not fail to mention the flowering plants and other gifts which have illustrated the continued interest of our President in all who are under our care.

Finally, we desire most cordially to bear testimony to the fidelity and efficiency of the service of the medical and surgical staff, and the consulting physicians and surgeons. Nor would we fail to speak appreciatively of the house staff, of our very devoted Superintendent, and of the superintendent of nurses and her corps of assistants, and as well of our efficient housekeeper. We deem that in all respects the Hospital is extremely well served, and we look toward the coming year with hopeful anticipations.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

CHARLES RAY PALMER,	{	<i>Prudential</i>
CHARLES E. GRAVES,		
WM. G. DAGGETT,		
		<i>Committee.</i>

NEW HAVEN, Jan. 25, 1900.



# REPORT OF THE MEDICAL BOARD

NEW HAVEN HOSPITAL, Jan. 25, 1900.

*To the General Hospital Society of Connecticut:*

GENTLEMEN—The following statement of the medical, surgical and gynæcological work of the Hospital, for the year 1899, is hereby respectfully submitted as the report of the Medical Board.

JOHN S. ELY, M.D.,

*Secretary of the Medical Board.*

## DISEASES TREATED DURING 1899.

### MEDICAL REPORT.

DIAGNOSIS.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1899.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.					Transferred to Surgical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1899.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.	Died.		
Abortion.....		1		1						
Abscess, perinephritic.....		1							1	
Alcoholism, acute.....		29		24	5					
“ chronic and pneumonia.....		1						1		
Alcoholic dementia.....		1				1				
“ gastritis.....		1			1					
“ neuritis.....		1						1		
Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis.....		1								1
Anaemia.....		2		1						1
Anterior poliomyelitis.....		1								1
Aortic regurgitation.....	1	2			2			1		
Appendicitis.....		1		1						
Arterios-clerosis.....		1								1
Arthritis deformans.....	2				1					1
Asthenia.....		1			1					
Asthma.....		4			2					2
Bell's paralysis.....		1			1					
Bronchitis, acute.....	1	3		4						
“ chronic.....	1	1			2					
“ “ and mitral regurgitation.....		1			1					
Carcinoma of liver.....		1						1		
“ stomach.....	1	2						3		

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DIAGNOSIS.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1899.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.					Transferred to Surgical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1899.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.	Died.		
Cataract, senile			1		1					
Cirrhosis of liver (atrophic)		2			1			1		
“ “ (hypertrophic)		1						1		
Cellulitis of thigh		1							1	
Chlorosis		1		1						
Colitis, acute		3		3						
Colic, intestinal		1		1						
Cystitis		1		1						
Delirium tremens		5		4				1		
Diabetes mellitus		2								2
Dilatation of heart, acute		1						1		
Dysentery, acute		4		4						
Eczema, acute squamous	1			1						
Empyema		2						1	1	
Endometritis		1							1	
Enteritis, acute		2		2						
Epilepsy	1	9			6		2	1		1
Erysipelas, facial		1		1						
Exophthalmic goitre		1								1
Fever, typhoid	4	28		31				1		
“ “ and pneumonia	1			1						
Floating kidney			1				1			
Friedreich's ataxia		1								1
Gastric ulcer		2			1				1	
Gastritis, acute		7		7						
“ chronic		5			4					1
“ sub-acute		3			3					
Gastro-enteritis, acute		2		2						
Hemiplegia	6	5				4		3		4
Hemorrhage, cerebral		6						1		5
“ pulmonary		1						1		
Hepatitis		1			1					
Hydrocephalus, congenital		1			1					
Hydro-pneumo-thorax		1								1
Hypochondriasis		3			2					1
Hysteria	1	3			4					
Hystero-epilepsy		1							1	
Incontinence of urine	1				1					
Impetigo-contagiosa and nephri- tis		2		1						1
Infants		52		41				5		6
Infantile paralysis		1								1
Influenza	2	4		5	1					
Insanity		1				1				
Intestinal ulceration		1						1		
Lateral sclerosis and appendicitis			1							1
Laryngitis, acute		1		1						
“ tubercular		2			1			1		
Locomotor ataxia	1							1		
Lumbago		1			1					

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				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.	Died.	
Malaria .....	2	18		15	4				1
Marasmus .....		1			1				
Melancholia .....		2				2			
Meningo-encephalitis .....		1			1				
Metrorrhagia .....		1						1	
Mitral regurgitation .....		1			2			2	2
“ and aortic regurgitation .....		1						1	
“ regurgitation and nephritis .....	1							1	
“ stenosis and cardiac dila- tation .....		1							1
Muscular spasm .....		1			1				
Myalgia .....		3			2				1
Nephritis, acute .....		1						1	
“ chronic .....	5	24			8			16	5
Neuralgia, ovarian .....		1			1				
Neurasthenia .....	1	16			13		2		2
Neuritis diffuse .....	1								1
“ peripheral .....		1			1				
“ post-operative .....		1			1				
Ovarian cyst .....		1	1	1					1
Paralysis agitans .....	2								2
Peritonitis, pelvic .....		1						1	
“ chronic .....	1							1	
Pharyngitis, syphilitic .....	1				1				
Phlebitis .....		1		1					
Phthisis pulmonalis .....		17						13	4
“ “ and abscess of thigh .....		1							1
Pleurisy, acute fibrinous .....		6		3	2			1	
“ chronic .....	1	1			2				
“ with effusion .....		7		5	2				
“ tubercular .....		2						2	
Plumbism, chronic .....		2			2				
Pneumonia, broncho. ....		2						2	
“ lobar .....	6	12		12				6	
“ interstitial .....		1			1				
Poisoning, absinthe .....		1		1					
“ arsenic .....		2		2					
“ carbolic acid .....		2						2	
“ coal gas .....		3		3					
“ opium .....		5		4				1	
“ ptomaine .....		1		1					
“ strychnine .....		1						1	
Pregnancy .....	6	52		49				1	8
Progressive muscular atrophy .....		1							1
Rheumatism, acute articular .....	1	8		6	2				1
“ chronic .....	2	2			1				3
“ gonorrhœal .....		3	1	1	1				2
“ sub-acute .....	1	4			5				
Sarcoma of mediastinum .....		1						1	

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				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.	Died.		
Sciatica .....		4		1	3					
Sclerosis of cord .....		1								1
Senility .....		2								2
Stomatitis .....		1								1
Suppression of urine and uraemia .....		1						1		
Synovitis of knee .....		1							1	
Syphilis .....		3			2					1
Taenia saginata .....		1		1						
Tonsilitis, follicular .....		6		5	1					
“ suppurative .....	2	1		3						
Tuberculosis, general .....		1	1					2		
“ chronica .....	3	12			5			10		
Tumor of cerebellum .....		1				1				
“ bladder .....		1							1	
“ groin and typhoid fever .....			1	1						
Ulcer of leg .....	1								1	
Uraemia .....		4			1			3		
Urethral stricture .....		1							1	
Totals .....	61	490	7	253	110	9	5	95	16	70

Respectfully submitted,

W. HULSEBERG, *House Physician.*

## SURGICAL REPORT.

DIAGNOSIS.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1899.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.				Died.	Transferred to Medical side.	In Hospital Dec. 1, 1899.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.			
Abortion		2		2						
Abscess of back	1	1			2					
“ breast		1		1						
“ extra peritoneal		1								1
“ gluteal			1	1						
“ hip, tubercular		1			1					
“ ischio rectal	1	2		1	2					
“ kidney			1	1						
“ neck		2		2						
“ periurethral		1		1						
“ psoas		1				1				
“ side		1		1						
“ side & thigh (tubercular)		1						1		
“ thigh		2	1	3						
“ thigh and phthisis			1		1					
“ thigh and pregnancy			1	1						
“ vulva		1		1						
Adenoids of pharynx		2		2						
Adenitis, cervical		4		3			1			
“ inguinal		2		2						
Ankylosis, elbow		1								1
Appendicitis	2	20		16	3			1		2
“ and amyotrophic lat- eral sclerosis	1								1	
“ and septic peritonitis		6		3				3		
Arthritis, knee, tubercular	1	2			3					
“ knee and hip, tubercular	1			1						
“ hip, tubercular	5	6		1	3	1				6
“ tarsus, tubercular	2	2		1	1	1				1
“ tarsus and periostitis of tibia		1		1						
Balanitis		1		1						
Burns, arms and body		1						1		
“ arms and face	1	1		2						
“ arms, face and head		1						1		
“ arms, hand and shoulder	1									1
“ arms and chest		1		1						
“ arm and leg		1		1						
“ body and extremities		1						1		
“ face (nitric acid)		1		1						
“ face and hands		1		1						
“ feet and hands (electrical)		1			1					
“ side, thigh, legs and hands		1			1					
Carcinoma, abdominal wall		1		1						
“ axilla		2		1				1		
“ bladder	2							2		
“ breast		14		12	1					1
“ breast, recurrent		1						1		
“ caecum		1		1						
“ cervix	1	1			1					1

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			Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.	Died.		
Carcinoma, face .....	1	1							1
“ intestines .....	1	1			1				
“ jaw .....	1	1	1						
“ leg .....	1	1	1						
“ lip .....	1	1			1				
“ pancreas .....	1	1			1				
“ penis .....	1	1	1						
“ rectum .....	2	2		1			1		
“ “ and haemorrhoids .....	1	1		1					
“ stomach .....	1	1			1				
“ tongue .....	3	3		1	2				
“ uterus .....	1	3		1	1	1	1		
“ vulva .....	1	1					1		
Cataract, senile .....	4	4	2	1				1	
“ secondary .....	4	4	2	2					
Cellulitis, arm .....	1	1							1
“ leg .....	2	2	1				1		
“ neck .....	1	1		1					
“ pelvis .....	2	2	2						
“ thigh .....	1	1	2						
Cerebral hemorrhage and frac- ture femur .....		1					1		
Compression, cerebral .....	4	4	2	1			1		
Concussion, cerebral .....	4	4	2	1			1		
“ spinal cord .....	1	1	1	1					
Conjunctivitis, acute .....	2	2	2						
Contracture, flexor longus hal- lucis .....		1	1						
Contusion, abdomen .....	1	1					1		
“ arm .....	2	2	1						1
“ chest .....	2	2	2						
“ hip .....	5	5	5						
“ hip and pneumonia .....	1	1					1		
“ knee .....	1	1	1						
“ leg .....	4	4	4						
“ shoulder .....	4	4	3	1					
“ side .....	1	1	1						
Crush, arm .....	3	3	2						1
“ arm, chest and shoulder .....	1	1					1		
“ finger .....	1	1		1					
“ foot .....	3	4	4	2					1
“ hand .....	2	2	1						1
“ hand and lacerated scalp .....	1	1	1						
“ thigh .....	1	1	1						
“ thumb .....	1	1	1						
Cystitis .....	1	1		2					
Dislocations—									
clavicle (acromial end) .....		1		1					
elbow .....		1							1
femur, comp. ....	1	1	1						

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Dislocations—										
humerus subcoracoid		5		5						
“                    “ (old)		1				1				
Echinococcus of liver		1			1					
Ectopic gestation		1		1						
Empyema		2	1	2				1		
Endometritis	1	16	1	15			1	1		1
Epididymitis		2		1						1
Epilepsy, Jacksonian		2			1					1
Epistaxis		1		1						
Fistula, biliary		1			1					
“    fecal		1		1						
“    fecal and tuberculosis		1						1		
“    in ano		7		4	2					1
“    recto-vaginal		1		1						
“    recto-vesical	1							1		
“    renal	1	3		1	2					1
Fibroids, uterus		4		2				1		1
Floating kidney		1							1	
Fractures, <i>compound</i> —										
femur (epiphysis from dia- physis)		1			1					
femur and laceration of knee	1	1		1						1
“    and simple of tibia and fibula		1		1						
fibula and contusion of back	1	1		2						
inferior maxilla		2		1	1					
radius and ulna		1			1					
thumb and pneumonia		1						1		
tibia		1		1						
tibia and fibula		6		5	1					
skull		5		4				1		
skull, depressed		1		1						
ulna, compound of olecranon process, compound of shaft of humerus; simple multi- ple, comminuted of tibia and fibula, and simple of radius and ulna		1						1		
ulna and dislocation of head of radius		1			1					
Fractures, <i>simple</i> —										
clavicle	1	3		3	1					
clavicle and ribs	1	1		2						
femur neck	1	1		1						1
“    shaft	2	8		8						2
“    “ (ununited)		1		1						
femur shaft and dislocation of elbow	1			1						



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				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.	Died.		
Fractures, <i>simple</i> —										
femur shaft and fracture of										
scapula .....		1								1
fibula .....		3		2						1
humerus and olecranon pro-										
cess of ulna .....	1			1						
humerus shaft .....		2		2						
humerus external condyle ..		1								1
inferior maxilla .....		1			1					
nasal bones .....		1			1					
radius (Colle's) .....		2		1	1					
radius and frontal bone .....		1		1						
radius and ulna .....	1	1		1	1					
ribs .....		7		6				1		
ribs and scapula .....		1						1		
scapula .....		1		1						
scapula and dislocated cla-										
vicle .....		1			1					
skull .....		3		1				2		
spine, dorsal .....	1	3				2		2		
" cervical .....		1						1		
tibia .....		1			1					
tibia and fibula .....	2	10		9	1					2
Frost bite of ear and hands ..		1		1						
" " hands and feet .....		2		1				1		
Gangrene, foot, diabetic .....		2						1		1
" " senile .....		1				1				
Genu valgum .....		1		1						
" varum .....	1	1		2						
Gigantism, foot .....		1			1					
Glaucoma .....		2			2					
Gonorrhœa, acute .....		11		8	1					2
" sub-acute .....		2		1	1					
" and orchitis .....		1		1						
" prostatitis and cystitis ..		1			1					
Gouty diathesis .....		1			1					
Have lip .....		1								1
" " and cleft palate .....		1								1
Hemorrhage from jaw .....		2		2						
" urethral and reten-										
tion of urine .....		1		1						
Hemorrhoids .....		13		10	1		1			1
" and leg ulcer .....		1								1
Hernia, femoral, strangulated ..		1						1		
" inguinal .....	1	14		5	3		1			6
" " strangulated .....		1		1						
" ventral .....		2		1		1				
Hypertrophied prostate .....		1			1					
Hystero-epilepsy .....			1		1					

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				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.			
Intestinal obstruction		4		1				3		
“ obstruction and fat ne- crosis of pancreas		1						1		
Keratitis, interstitial		2		1	1					
Kerato iritis		3		1	2					
Laceration of cervix		4		3			1			
“ cervix and perineum	1	2		2	1					
“ perineum		1								
Leucaemia		1				1				
Lipoma of perineum		1					1			
“ side		1		1						
“ thigh		1		1						
Menorrhagia		1		1						
Metrorrhagia	1	11	1	10	1		1			1
Necrosis of femur		4			3					1
“ fibula		1			1					
“ finger		1		1						
“ ribs		1								1
“ scrotum		1								1
“ sup. maxilla		1						1		
“ tibia	1	3		2	1			1		
Neurasthenia		1				1				
Neuralgia, occipital		1		1						
“ ovarian		1		1						
Oöphoritis		1						1		
Ophthalmia, gonorrhæal		3		2	1					
Otitis media, purulent	2	3			3	1			1	
“ “ pur. and mastoiditis		2		1	1					
Ovarian cyst		2	1	2					1	
Pannus and trachoma		1			1					
Parotitis	1			1						
Pes planus		1			1					
Phimosis		1		1						
Pott's disease		1			1					
Prolapsis uteri		3		2	1					
“ “ and retroversion		1		1						
Pyosalpinx		3		2	1					
“ and suppurative peri- tonitis		1						1		
Retention of urine		4		2	2					
Retroflexion of uterus		2		2						
Retroperitoneal tumor		1						1		
Rheumatism, gonorrhæal and urethral stricture			1						1	
Salpingitis		4	1	3	2					
“ and abscess of cul de sac of Douglas		1			1					
Sarcoma, breast		1		1						
“ cervical glands		1		1						

## SURGICAL REPORT—CONTINUED.

DIAGNOSIS.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1899.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.				Died.	Transferred to Medical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1899.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.			
Sarcoma, hand		1				1				
“ ileum		1						1		
“ nasal cavity		2		1	1					
“ ovary		1		1						
“ scalp		1					1			
Septicaemia		1						1		
Spermatorrhœa		1		1						
Spina bifida		1			1					
Sprain, ankle		6		6						
“ ankle and chancroids		1		1						
“ knee	1			1						
Stenosis, cervix uteri		1								1
Strabismus, convergent		2		1	1					
Stricture of oesophagus		1			1					
“ rectum		1					1			
“ urethra		5	1	2		2		1		1
Synovitis of knee		3	1	2	2					
Syphilis, acquired	1	4			4					1
“ congenital	1									1
“ infiltration of anus, perineum and vulva										1
Talipes equino-varus		1				1				
Tetanus		1						1		
Tubercular glands, neck		1		1						
Tumor, bladder		1				1				
“ jaw	1					1				
“ groin and typhoid fever		1							1	
“ uterus		1			1					
Ulcer of cornea		5		2	3					
“ leg	2	6		2	5			1		
“ scalp		1								1
“ stomach, perforation		1						1		
Varicose veins		1								1
Wounds, <i>bullet</i> —										
arm and neck		1		1						
brain		1						1		
chest		1		1						
thigh		1		1						
Wounds, <i>gunshot</i> —										
abdomen		2		1				1		
thigh		1		1						
Wounds, <i>incised</i> —										
abdomen		1						1		
“ and chest		1		1						
finger		1		1						
forearm		1		1						
groin		1		1						
hand		1		1						
neck and wrist		1		1						

## SURGICAL REPORT—CONTINUED.

DIAGNOSIS.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1899.	Admitted.	Received by Transfer.	Discharged.					Transferred to Medical side.	In Hospital Dec. 31, 1899.
				Cured.	Improved.	Unim- proved.	Not treated.	Died.		
Wounds, <i>incised</i> —										
shoulder .....		1		1						
throat .....		1		1						
wrists .....		1		1						
Wounds, <i>infected</i> —										
arm .....		1		1						
ear .....		1		1						
face .....		1		1						
finger .....	1	2		3						
hand .....	1	5		6						
leg .....		5		4						1
neck .....		1		1						
scalp .....		1		1						
Wounds, <i>lacerated</i> —										
arm and hand .....		1						1		
arm and shoulder .....		1			1					
chin .....		1		1						
face .....		4		4						
finger .....		4		4						
leg .....		3		1	2					
scalp .....		28		24	1					3
thigh .....		1						1		
thumb .....		1			1					
wrist .....		1		1						
Totals .....	60	593	16	382	120	25	11	59	7	65

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS B. PORTER, M.D.,

*House Surgeon.*

## RECORD OF BIRTHS.

January .....	5	August .....	2
February .....	3	September .....	5
March .....	2	October .....	3
April .....	2	November .....	3
May .....	5	December .....	10
June .....	4		
July .....	8	Total .....	52

Respectfully submitted,

W. HULSEBERG, *House Physician.*

# SURGICAL OPERATIONS DURING 1899.

Amputations—		Incision for abscess of kidney	1
Arm	4	“ “ extra peritoneal	2
Arm, scapula and part of clavicle	1	“ “ of hip	2
Breast	3	“ “ ischio-rectal	1
Breast (both)	2	“ “ of side	2
Breast and axillary glands	11	“ “ of thigh	2
Fingers	10	“ “ “ and side	1
Foot	2	“ cellulitis of arm	1
Hand	1	“ “ neck	1
Leg	3	“ echinococcus cyst of liver	1
Penis	1	“ for fistula in ano	5
Toe	2	“ psoas abscess	1
Adenectomy	6	“ shoulder for bullet	1
Appendectomy	20	“ exploratory, perihepatitis	1
Aspiration of hip joint	2	“ exploratory, retro-peritoneal tumor	1
“ knee joint	4	“ exploratory for fracture of frontal bone	1
Breaking up adhesion of elbow	1	“ for lachrymal abscess	1
Castration	1	Inguinal colostomy	1
Cataract (removal of lens)	4	Laminectomy	2
“ (needling)	4	Laparotomy, exploratory	5
Circumcision	1	“ for intestinal obstruction	4
Clamp and cautery for hemorrhoids	14	“ for perforative gastric ulcer	1
Cœliotomy for ectopic gestation	1	Mastectomy	3
Colporrhaphy posterior	1	Paracentesis of cornea	1
Compound fracture, femur	1	Perineorrhaphy	3
“ humerus	1	“ and curettage	3
Curetting of necrosed carpus	2	“ and trachelorrhaphy	11
“ “ clavicle	1	Plastic operation for hare lip	3
“ “ femur	3	“ “ biliary fistula	1
“ “ frontal bone	1	Oophorectomy	2
“ “ metacarpus	1	“ and hysterectomy	1
“ old sinus	1	Osteotomy for genu valgum	1
“ necrosed superior maxilla	1	“ “ varum	1
“ necrosed tarsus	3	Ovariectomy	3
“ tibia	4	Reduction of incarcerated inguinal hernia	1
“ uterine	1	“ compound fracture of femur (epiphysis from diaphysis)	1
Cystotomy, suprapubic	2	Resection of ribs	1
Dislocation of clavicle, acromial end	1	Sclerotomy	2
“ humerus	2	Suturing for laceration of face	1
“ radius and ulna	1	“ “ hand	2
Elevation of depressed fracture of skull	2	“ and reduction for crush of forearm	1
Enterectomy	2	Tenotomy (convergent strabismus)	2
Estlander's operation	1	“ talipes equino varus	1
Excision of carcinoma of abdominal wall	1	Thiersch's skin grafting	3
“ carcinoma of axilla	1	Trachelorrhaphy	1
“ “ jaw	1	Trephining	3
“ half of tongue	1	Tubo-ovariotomy	1
“ old cicatrix	1	Ventral fixation	1
“ lipoma of side	1	Whitehead's operation for hæmorrhoids	1
“ sarcoma of ilium	1	Wiring of fragments of radius	1
“ nasal cavity	2		
Excision of hip joint	2		
External urethotomy	4		
Herniotomy	12		
Hysterectomy, abdominal	6		
“ vaginal	1		
Incision for abscess of cul de sac of Douglas	1		

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Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS B. PORTER, M.D., *House Surgeon.*

# SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

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NEW HAVEN, CONN., Jan. 18, 1900.

*To the Prudential Committee of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut:*

GENTLEMEN: I herewith submit the seventy-third annual report of receipts and disbursements, number of patients treated in the Hospital, their condition at time of discharge, and other items of information and interest connected with the business of the year 1899.

The number of patients remaining in the Hospital December 31st, 1898, was 121—78 males and 43 females; admitted during the year 1899, 1083—660 males and 423 females; making a total of 1204 under treatment. Of this number 635 were discharged cured, 230 improved, 32 unimproved, 16 were not treated, 156 died, and 135 remained under treatment December 31st, 1899. There were 50 births—22 males and 28 females; also 2 still births, which are not included in the number of deaths.

The whole number of weeks occupied was  $6241\frac{4}{7}$ , of which 1374 were occupied by town patients, receiving the benefit of the State appropriation at the rate of \$3.64 per week.

The average residence of each patient was  $5\frac{1}{5}$  weeks. Deducting the patients supported by the Marett and Gifford Funds, the larger portion of whom were inmates of the Home for Incurables, the average residence of the remainder was  $4\frac{1}{6}$  weeks.

The patients admitted came from 70 different towns in this State and from 13 other States. 723 were residents of the town of New Haven.

The largest number of patients any one day was 144; the smallest number 99; the daily average  $119\frac{7}{16}$ ; the attendants, and other inmates not patients, averaged 103; making a total

of  $222\frac{7}{16}$ . Of these  $43\frac{4}{6}$  were nurses (with Matron and Maid of the Home) of the Training School.

The Charity funds furnished support and treatment, wholly or in part, as follows :

	No. of patients.	Weeks occupied.	Daily average.	Amount received towards support.
Marett Fund,	125	729	14	\$238.79
Gifford “	33	1155 $\frac{1}{2}$	22 $\frac{1}{6}$	656.15
English “	22	127 $\frac{5}{8}$	2 $\frac{1}{3}$	4.00

The Ambulance responded to 294 calls during the year.

The current receipts, less amount refunded to patients, were \$51,922.04; the current expenses were \$63,059.03; excess of expenses over receipts, \$11,136.99. Of the receipts from the War Department, \$2,244 belong to the earnings of the year 1898.

The average cost of supporting each patient in the Hospital was \$10.03 per week; the daily average cost of food for all the inmates of the Hospital was 33 $\frac{1}{2}$  cents. These items are made up as follows :

Total current expenses. ....	\$63,059.03
Less board of Superintendent's family and supernumerary nurses. ....	437.93
Number of weeks hospital care, $6241\frac{1}{2} \div$	<u>\$62,621.10</u>
Cost per week per patient .....	10.03 +
Total cost of food .....	27,245.77
Average daily number of inmates, $222\frac{7}{16}$ .	
Cost of food per inmate per day .....	.33 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

The accompanying balance sheet gives detailed statement of my receipts and expenditures for the year.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN H. STARKWEATHER,

*Superintendent.*



## THE SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNT.

THE SUPERINTENDENT in account with GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY.

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To amounts received :

From Balance, Jan. 19, 1899 .....	\$ 40.24
U. S. War Department .....	2,398.00
U. S. Marine patients .....	492.00
State soldier " .....	641.13
Town " .....	6,996.54
Self-paying " .....	15,814.80
Marett Fund " .....	7,242.55
Gifford " " .....	11,613.75
English " " .....	1,280.68
State appropriation .....	5,000.00
Board .....	437.93
Sales .....	335.65
Sundries .....	42.50
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	\$52,335.77
Orders on Treasurer .....	58,543.95
"        "    New Kitchen .....	15,432.93
"        "    New Maternity .....	15,500.00
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 \$141,812.65

## THE SUPERINTENDENT'S ACCOUNT.

THE SUPERINTENDENT in account with GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY.

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By amounts expended .	
For Flour, 8,543 lbs. ....	\$ 195.39
Meal and rice, 7,368 lbs. ....	281.72
Bread and crackers, 40,876½ lbs. ....	1,190.12
Cake .....	36.40
Butter, 10,265½ lbs. ....	2,227.68
Cheese, 398 .....	49.42
Meat, 79,653¼ lbs. ....	8,827.71
Poultry, 9,970 lbs. ....	1,454.16
Fish and oysters, 11,457 lbs. ....	1,012.72
Vegetables and fruit .....	3,004.96
Eggs, 9,866 dozen .....	2,331.45
Groceries .....	3,119.26
Milk, 88,904½ qts. ....	3,514.78
Ice, 353,100 lbs. ....	387.72
Ale and liquors .....	333.22
Medicines .....	1,430.10
Instruments .....	742.82
Surgical dressings .....	1,676.74
Fuel (hard coal), 1,329¾ tons .....	3,896.83
Gas, 1,799,000 ft. ....	2,070.98
Water, 7,391,977 galls. ....	573.00
Furniture and crockery .....	1,379.30
Clothes and bedding .....	2,203.12
Repairs and improvements .....	3,453.30
Postage, printing and stationery .....	767.24
Barn and farm expenses .....	190.68
Boilers, machinery and tools .....	423.74
Salaries and wages .....	14,182.49
Soap and laundry supplies .....	344.62
Insurance .....	—
Sundries .....	1,757.36
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	\$63,059.03
New Kitchen .....	15,432.93
New Maternity .....	15,508.00
X-ray .....	388.63
Surgical truck, 1 East .....	90.00
Refunded to patients .....	373.49
Deposited with Treasurer .....	46,940.79
Balance, Jan. 18, 1900 .....	19.78
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	\$141,812.65

## APPENDIX.

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### FUNDS OF THE SOCIETY.

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The only funds belonging to the Society, the income of which is unrestricted, are (1) the General Fund, which includes the following :

1874, Irene Larned Fund.....	\$5,000.00
1878, Nelson A. Hotchkiss Fund.....	5,000.00
1885, Mary A. Miller Fund.....	1,000.00
1890, Henry J. Prudden Fund.....	1,720.00
1894, Andrew L. Kidston .....	5,000.00

and (2) the Annie R. Winchester Dye Fund, \$15,000.00.

The Marett, Gifford, and English Funds are Charity Funds, and the income can only be used for the support of poor patients. There seems to be a general impression that these funds have made the Hospital rich, and that it does not need more money. This impression is an erroneous one. The funds mentioned are a very great help to the institution in carrying on its strictly charitable work, but there still remains each year the same failure of receipts to meet expenses, due to the fact that so-called self-paying, town, and State patients do not pay the cost of their support.

With regard to the Free Beds, it must be borne in mind that the income from the endowment of each bed (\$5,000) is not sufficient to support a patient continuously throughout the year.

## SECURITIES HELD BY THE TREASURER.

GENERAL HOSPITAL SOCIETY OF CONN.,

Jan. 1, 1900.

## GENERAL AND FREE BED FUNDS.

	Par Value.
4 Notes, secured by mortgage .....	\$16,500.00
1 Note, secured by collateral .....	10,000.00
10 Bonds, Southern N. E. Telephone Co., 1st Mortgage 5% .....	10,000.00
19 " N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Debentures, 4% .....	10,000.00
5 " Housatonic R. R., 5% .....	5,000.00
3 " Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R., 6% .....	3,000.00
3 " Meriden Horse R. R., 1st Mortgage, 5% .....	3,000.00
50 Shares, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. stock .....	5,000.00
70 " Danbury & Norwalk R. R. stock .....	3,500.00
5 " Naugatuck R. R. stock .....	500.00
700 " N. H. County National Bank stock .....	7,000.00
70 " Merchants National Bank stock .....	3,500.00
120 " Yale National Bank stock .....	12,000.00
15 " Second National Bank stock .....	1,500.00
68 " Bridgeport Electric Light Co. stock .....	1,700.00

## MARETT FUND.

4 Notes, secured by mortgage .....	24,500.00
20 Bonds, Housatonic R. R., 5% .....	20,000.00
17 " Danbury & Norwalk R. R., 5% .....	17,000.00
10 " N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Debentures, 4% .....	10,000.00
7 " Southern N. E. Telephone Co., 1st Mortgage, 5% .....	7,000.00
10 " N. Y. Central R. R. (Lake Shore Coll. Trust) 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ % .....	10,000.00
100 Shares, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. stock .....	10,000.00
100 " Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne & Chicago Ry. stock .....	10,000.00
100 " Oswego & Syracuse R. R. Stock .....	5,000.00
55 " Ft. Wayne & Jackson R. R. stock .....	5,500.00
20 " Grand River Valley R. R. stock .....	2,000.00
29 " Nat'l Tradersmens Bank, New Haven .....	2,900.00

## ELLEN M. GIFFORD FUND (LEGATEE FUND).

16 Bonds, Boston Electric Light Co. Mortgage, 5% .....	\$16,000.00
2 " " " " " 1st Mortgage, 6% .....	2,000.00
5 " State Line & Sullivan R. R., 1st Mortgage, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % .....	5,000.00
5 " Edison Electric Illuminating Co., Brooklyn, 4% .....	5,000.00
7 " N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Debentures, 4% .....	2,500.00
4 " Southern N. E. Telephone Co., 1st Mortgage, 5% .....	2,000.00
2 " Consolidated Electric Light Co. of Maine, 1st Mtge, 5% .....	1,000.00
100 Shares, Bank of the Manhattan Co. ....	5,000.00

## ELLEN M. GIFFORD FUND (EXECUTOR FUND).

7	Notes, secured by mortgage .....	\$59,500.00
1	Note, secured by collateral .....	5,000.00
25	Bonds, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Debentures, 4% .....	25,000.00
14	" State of North Carolina, 4% .....	14,000.00
10	" Adams Express Company, 4% .....	10,000.00
10	" Second Ave. R. R., N. Y., 5% .....	10,000.00
5	" Edison Electric Illuminating Co., Brooklyn, 4% .....	5,000.00
3	" Naumkeag Street Railway, 1st Mortgage, 5% .....	2,000.00
1	" Southern N. E. Telephone Co., 1st Mortgage, 5% .....	1,000.00
1	" Boston Electric Light Co., 1st Mortgage, 6% .....	500.00
150	Shares, N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. stock .....	15,000.00
218	" Cayuga & Susquehanna R. R. stock .....	6,540.00
100	" Beech Creek R. R. ....	5,000.00
50	" Illinois Central R. R. Leased Line .....	5,000.00
100	" Morris & Essex R. R. ....	5,000.00
100	" American Exchange Nat'l Bank, N. Y. ....	10,000.00
19	" National Bank of Commerce, N. Y. ....	1,900.00
14	" Bank of New York, N. B. A. ....	1,400.00
10	" Hanover National Bank, N. Y. ....	1,000.00
6	" National Bank of the Republic, N. Y. ....	600.00
334	" N. H. County National Bank .....	3,340.00
4	" Yale National Bank .....	400.00
32	" Second National Bank .....	3,200.00
25	" National Tradersmens Bank .....	2,500.00
27	" First National Bank, Hartford ..	2,700.00

## ENGLISH FUND.

5	Bonds, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R., 6% .....	\$5,000.00
3	" Boston Electric Light Co., 1st Mortgage, 6% .....	1,500.00
718	Shares, N. H. County National Bank .....	7,180.00
40	" Detroit, Hillsdale & Southwestern R. R. ....	4,000.00

## FITCH FUND.

	Note, secured by collateral .....	\$10,000.00
	Bond, Boston Electric Light Co., 5% .....	500.00
	" Southern N. E. Telephone Co., 1st Mortgage, 5% .....	500.00
20	Shares, Mechanics Bank .....	1,200.00

## FUNDS FOR CHILDREN'S AND MATERNITY WARDS.

	Bonds, Meriden Horse R. R., 1st Mortgage, 5% .....	\$2,000.00
	" Boston Electric Light Co., 5% .....	500.00

## NEW KITCHEN FUND.

	Bond, N. Y. Central R. R. (Lake Shore Coll. Trust), 3½% ..	\$1,000.00
7	Shares, Oswego & Syracuse R. R. ....	350.00
7	" Yale National Bank .....	700.00

## ANNIE R. WINCHESTER DYE FUND.

Bonds, Edison Electric Illuminating Co., N. Y., 1st, 5%----	\$5,000.00
“ Edison Electric Illuminating Co., Brooklyn, 4%-----	1,000.00
50 Shares, American Exchange National Bank, N. Y. ....	5,000.00

## FUND FOR ELEVATOR.

New Haven Savings Bank Book .....	\$520.99
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We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have examined the securities in the hands of the Treasurer, Charles E. Curtis, and find that they correspond with the foregoing list.

Dated January 16th, 1900.

OLIVER S. WHITE, }  
JOHN W. BRISTOL, } *Auditors.*

# DONATIONS

## HOSPITAL SUNDAY COLLECTIONS RECEIVED BY THE TREASURER, 1899.

Mrs. F. B. Dexter .....	\$ 25.00
United Church .....	230.00
Center Church .....	967.79
" A Friend " .....	100.00
Christ Church .....	10.00
Swedish Lutheran Church .....	5.00
Mrs. Eleanor Shepard .....	4.00
St. Thomas's Church .....	22.04
St. James's Church, Westville .....	25.00
Second Congregational Church, Fair Haven .....	3.23
Mrs. J. H. Niemeyer .....	5.00
Davenport Church .....	10.19
Howard Ave. Congregational Church .....	10.00
Prof. E. S. Dana .....	10.00
German Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Church .....	7.50
Trinity Parish .....	297.00
Strong, Barnes, Hart & Co. ....	25.00
Emanuel Lutheran Church .....	2.00
Robert Morgan .....	25.00
Church of the Redeemer .....	207.41
German Baptist Church .....	5.00
Calvary Baptist Church .....	15.50
Christ Church, Guilford .....	7.40
Grace Episcopal Church .....	1.50
Grand Ave. Congregational Church .....	20.00
First M. E. Church .....	7.78
Congregation Mishkan Israel .....	96.00
Josephus Forbes .....	100.00
Dwight Place Church .....	90.82
Humphrey St. Church .....	5.50
Trinity M. E. Church .....	25.00
First Congregational Church, West Haven .....	8.15
St. John's Episcopal Parish .....	7.00
Plymouth Church .....	2.95
Total .....	<hr/> \$2,383.76

## OTHER DONATIONS.

Through Dr. W. H. Carmalt .....	\$30.00
From Dr. Max Mailhouse .....	25.00
Board of Lady Visitors, for equipment of Surgical Ward	
No. 1 East .....	142.00
" A Friend " .....	100.00
English Hall Sunday School .....	5.00
Total .....	<hr/> \$302.00



## LEGACIES.

From Estate of Nelson Hotchkiss, Cash .....	\$3,549.52	
7 shares Yale National Bank stock .....	854.00	
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		\$4,403.52
Estate of C. A. Watrous .....		500.00
Estate of Katherine Birk .....		100.00
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Total .....		\$5,003.52

## OTHER DONATIONS.

## RECEIVED AT THE HOSPITAL DURING THE YEAR 1899.

Publishers have kindly furnished the Hospital with the *Conn. Republicaner*, the *New Haven Morning News*, the *New Haven Daily Palladium*, the *New Haven Daily Register*, the *New Haven Evening Leader*, the *New York Medical Journal*.

## BOOKS, MAGAZINES AND PAPERS.

Hon. S. E. Baldwin, Mrs. A. E. Verrill, Milford Athletic Club, Mrs. Geo. G. Woods, Geo. T. Scranton, Mrs. E. H. Trowbridge, Dr. Wm. G. Daggett, Col. N. G. Osborn, Dr. C. P. Lindsley, R. J. Minor, John H. G. Durant, Mrs. H. L. Manville, J. L. Girndell, F. E. Nelson, S. R. Bartlett, *Yale Record*, Miss Gregg, Mrs. I. H. DeGraff, Mrs. H. R. Smith, John T. Manson, Rev. S. Dryden Phelps, J. Jerome Hayes, Wm. A. Warner, Mrs. E. L. Fairchild, Henry C. Shelton, Mrs. Henry Parmelee, A. W. Minor, Mrs. Munford, Dr. Wm. H. Carmalt, Dr. C. J. Bartlett, Benj. E. Brown, Mrs. H. A. Brooks, Geo. E. Hodson, Joseph Harth, Geo. H. Hewlett, Mrs. M. G. Hamblin, Mrs. Fred. H. Crockett, Dr. Max Mailhouse.

## CLOTHING, OLD LINEN AND OLD COTTON.

John C. Hollister, Mrs. H. R. Smith, Mrs. M. G. Hamblin, Mrs. Thomas Hooker, Mrs. T. G. Bennett, Dr. Wm. H. Carmalt, Mrs. F. B. Dexter, Mrs. Powning, Mrs. Lawrence, Miss Lyons, St. James Chapter, Daughters of the King; King's Daughters, First Baptist Church; Mrs. E. L. Fairchild, Dr. H. W. Ring, Mrs. A. H. Ward, Mrs. F. Baldwin, Miss Bulford, Mrs. Lynde Harrison, Needlework Guild, 150 pieces.

## FROM THE HOSPITAL AID SOCIETY.

Mrs. J. B. Sargent, President; Miss Emma Lawrence, Mrs. S. D. Bowers, Mrs. James Denver, Mrs. John Marlin, Vice-Presidents; Miss Emma F. Fitch, Secretary and Treasurer; Executive Board: Mrs. Elizabeth Ward, Mrs. Caleb Bowers, Mrs. E. L. Austin, Mrs. Henry Warner, Miss Florence Cowles, Mrs. M. B. Mallory, Mrs. H. H. Johnson, Mrs. J. Gibb Smith, Miss Rebecca Chapman, Miss Allen, Miss Willard, Miss F. L. Edwards, Miss Louise Towner, Mrs. W. D. Judson, Mrs. E. Nichols, Mrs. Stilson, Mrs. Easterbrook, Mrs. M. L. Ford; 233 pieces.

## FLOWERS AND FRUIT.

Miss Hotchkiss, Dwight Place Church Bible School, Mrs. Eli Whitney, Mrs. E. C. Coles' Sunday School Class, Dr. Wm. L. Bradley, Mrs. Richard Everit, Lewis & Maycock, Mr. Mitchell, John N. Champion, Mrs. Mary E. French, Northfield, Conn.; Calvary Baptist Bible School, Miss Carrie Mallett, Woodbury, Conn.; Mrs. H. E. English, Mrs. Thos. A. Bostwick.

## FLOWERING AND FOLIAGE PLANTS.

For ornamenting the grounds during the summer, General S. E. Merwin.

## KINDERGARTEN.

Kindergarten instruction for the children, by a competent teacher, has been furnished by the following named ladies during the year: Mrs. Henry Farnam, Mrs. Ezekiel Trowbridge, Mrs. Nathan A. Baldwin, Mrs. J. E. S. Porter, Mrs. T. G. Bennett, Miss M. E. Scranton, Mrs. G. B. Farnam, Mrs. Francis Wayland, Miss Hillhouse, Mrs. J. B. Robertson, Mrs. Rutherford Trowbridge, Mrs. F. B. Dexter, Mrs. J. Davenport Wheeler, Mr. Stephen Whitney, Mrs. Daniel C. Eaton, Miss Apthorp, Mrs. Francis Bacon, Mrs. Eli Whitney, Jr., Mrs. Justus S. Hotchkiss, Miss Rose Porter, Mr. W. G. Downes, and other friends.

## STEAMBOAT EXCURSION.

July 17th, taking about 100 patients, nurses and attendants, a sail out on the Sound and refreshments for those remaining in the Hospital unable to go, at the expense of the same kind friend who has provided these excursions for eight previous seasons.

## THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS.

Mrs. Henry Farnam, \$50.00; Dr. T. H. Bishop, \$5.00; Mrs. T. G. Bennett, 7 turkeys, 1½ boxes of oranges; Robt. Morgan, 1 turkey; G. F. Newcomb, 1 turkey; E. Schoenberger & Son, 10 turkeys; Mrs. Wayland, 6 chickens; Joseph Porter, \$10.00; Mrs. Chas. Davis, \$2.00.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

John H. G. Durant, 1 pair crutches; Mrs. T. A. Bostwick, toys for Children's Ward; Seamless Rubber Co., 2 doz. hot water bottles; Mrs. Mary Griffing, 1 rolling chair; Children of English Hall Sunday School, \$5.00; Mrs. J. Van Name, 1 wheel chair; M. B. Chase, crutches; S. H. Moseley, toys for Children's Ward; Mrs. Hinneinan, jelly for Children's Ward.

# GENERAL STATISTICS

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Remaining in hospital, Dec. 31, 1898.....	78	743	821
Admitted during 1899 .....	660	423	1083
Total .....	738	466	1204
Of this number there have been discharged—			
Cured.....	376	259	635
Improved .....	156	74	230
Unimproved.....	20	12	32
Died .....	97	59	156
Not treated .....	4	12	16
	653	416	1069
Remaining under treatment, Dec. 31, 1899 .....	81	54	135
Total .....	734	470	1204

## MONTHLY ADMISSIONS.

FROM JANUARY 1, 1899, TO DECEMBER 31, 1899.

January.....	93	August .....	91
February .....	76	September .....	75
March .....	77	October .....	90
April .....	84	November .....	103
May .....	93	December .....	111
June.....	83		
July .....	107		1083

## AGE AT TIME OF ADMISSION.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Under 15 years.....	75	65	140
From 15 to 20 years.....	44	28	72
“ 20 to 30 “ .....	144	121	265
“ 30 to 40 “ .....	150	79	229
“ 40 to 50 “ .....	98	57	155
“ 50 to 60 “ .....	64	26	90
“ 60 to 70 “ .....	50	19	69
“ 70 to 80 “ .....	18	17	35
“ 80 to 90 “ .....	4	4	8
“ 90 to 100 “ .....	1	—	1
Unknown .....	12	7	19
Total .....	660	423	1083

## NATIVITY OF PATIENTS ADMITTED.

Austria .....	10	Germany .....	58	Sweden .....	31
Armenia .....	4	Greece .....	1	Switzerland .....	4
Canada.....	26	Ireland .....	132	Syria .....	2
China .....	1	Italy .....	44	United States.....	613
Denmark.....	6	Norway .....	4	Unknown .....	34
England.....	42	Poland .....	15		
Finland .....	3	Russia .....	32	Total.....	1083
France .....	4	Scotland .....	17		

## TIME OCCUPIED BY THE SEVERAL CLASSES OF PATIENTS.

U. S. War Department .....	22	weeks.
U. S. Marine patients .....	81 $\frac{1}{2}$	"
State Soldier patients .....	105 $\frac{3}{4}$	"
Town patients .....	1374	"
Self-paying patients, in wards .....	1668 $\frac{2}{7}$	"
"    "    private rooms .....	235 $\frac{3}{7}$	"
Free Bed patients .....	604 $\frac{1}{7}$	"
Marett Fund patients .....	729	"
English " .....	121 $\frac{6}{7}$	"
Gifford " .....	1155 $\frac{4}{7}$	"
General " .....	144 $\frac{3}{7}$	"
	<hr/> 6241 $\frac{1}{7}$	"

## OCCUPATIONS.

Actress .....	1	Dentist .....	1	Molder .....	1
Actor .....	1	Dress maker .....	6	Nurse .....	7
Advertiser .....	1	Drop forger .....	2	Orderly .....	3
Agent .....	3	Druggist .....	1	Painter .....	19
Architect .....	1	Electrician .....	1	Photographer .....	1
Auditor .....	2	Electro-plater .....	1	Plumber .....	2
Baker .....	4	Engineer .....	3	Polisher .....	2
Barber .....	4	Farmer .....	27	Porter .....	1
Bartender .....	9	Firemen .....	2	Powder mixer .....	3
Blacksmith .....	12	Florist .....	1	Professor .....	1
Bookkeeper .....	2	Foreman .....	3	Printer .....	4
Brakeman .....	18	Gardner .....	2	Roofer .....	1
Brass worker .....	2	Grocer .....	1	Rubber worker .....	11
Brewer .....	2	Harness maker .....	1	Salesman .....	15
Bricklayer .....	2	Hair dresser .....	1	Seaman .....	27
Buffer .....	2	Housekeeper .....	3	Shop hand .....	10
Butcher .....	3	Housework .....	49	Soldier .....	1
Carpenter .....	20	Iceman .....	3	Spinner .....	1
Carriage maker .....	5	Inspector .....	1	Steward .....	7
Cigar maker .....	5	Janitor .....	1	Student .....	4
Clerk .....	14	Jeweler .....	1	Stone cutter .....	6
Cloak maker .....	1	Laborer .....	107	Tailor .....	2
Clothier .....	1	Laundress .....	2	Teacher .....	3
Coachman .....	7	Machinist .....	27	Teamster .....	18
Collector .....	1	Mason .....	7	Upholsterer .....	1
Concretor .....	1	Mechanic .....	6	Waiter .....	6
Conductor .....	1	Merchant .....	5	Watchman .....	4
Confectioner .....	2	Messenger .....	1	Weaver .....	1
Contractor .....	1	Minor .....	1	Wire worker .....	2

## REPRESENTATION OF TOWNS AND VILLAGES IN CONNECTICUT.

Ansonia .....	23	Highwood .....	1	Portland .....	3
Bethany .....	5	Litchfield .....	2	Roxbury .....	1
Branford .....	15	Lyme .....	1	Sachems Head .....	1
Bridgeport .....	4	Kensington .....	1	Sandy Hook .....	1
Bridgewater .....	1	Kent .....	2	Saybrook .....	2
Canaan .....	1	Madison .....	4	Seymour .....	2
Centerville .....	1	Marlborough .....	1	Sharon .....	1
Cheshire .....	6	Meriden .....	4	Shelton .....	3
Chester .....	3	Middletown .....	6	Southington .....	7
Clinton .....	7	Milford .....	5	South Norwalk .....	1
Clintonville .....	1	Morris .....	1	Stony Creek .....	1
Danbury .....	1	Mt. Carmel .....	1	Suffield .....	1
Derby .....	15	Naugatuck .....	7	Thomaston .....	2
Durham .....	1	New Canaan .....	1	Torrington .....	26
Easthampton .....	3	New Haven .....	716	Wallingford .....	8
East Haven .....	1	New Milford .....	2	Washington .....	2
East Morris .....	1	Northford .....	1	Waterbury .....	26
Greenwich .....	1	North Haven .....	13	Westbrook .....	1
Guilford .....	7	Norwich .....	1	West Hartford .....	1
Haddam .....	1	Orange .....	7	West Haven .....	32
Hamden .....	8	Otis .....	1	Westville .....	7
Hartford .....	3	Oxford .....	1	Whitneyville .....	1
Hebron .....	1	Plainville .....	4	Woodbridge .....	1

## ANNUAL SUMMARY.

Years.	In Hospital at beginning of year.	Admitted during year.	Under care.	Discharged.	Died.	Remaining at the end of the year.	Daily average for the year.	Greatest No. on any one day.	Least No. on any one day.
1833-1867.....			4398						
1867-1868.....	37	220	257	207	20	30	34	45	22
1868-1869.....	30	266	296	235	30	31	40	53	27
1869-1870.....	31	308	339	271	33	35	38	48	24
1870-1871.....	35	303	338	256	32	50	41	56	30
1871-1872.....	50	328	378	270	48	60	51	70	34
1872, 9 months	60	319	379	275	28	76	60	78	44
1873.....	76	428	504	344	43	117	77	117	59
1874.....	117	408	525	361	47	117	99 $\frac{1}{2}$	125	83
1875.....	117	436	553	360	50	143	124 $\frac{1}{2}$	143	112
1876.....	143	382	525	339	45	141	136	165	116
1877.....	141	312	453	367	28	58	100	147	58
1878.....	58	336	394	285	38	71	69	93	57
1879.....	71	336	407	295	31	81	67 $\frac{5}{8}$	88	47
1880.....	81	440	521	373	56	92	81 $\frac{3}{4}$	92	72
1881.....	92	556	648	480	65	103	89	106	76
1882.....	103	605	708	516	96	96	106 $\frac{1}{2}$	122	89
1883.....	96	716	812	604	83	125	112	129	93
1884.....	125	748	873	642	107	124	115 $\frac{7}{10}$	136	100
1885.....	124	738	862	645	106	111	105	121	82
1886.....	111	786	897	691	96	110	113 $\frac{1}{2}$	127	97
1887.....	110	730	840	646	95	99	104	131	82
1888.....	99	772	871	642	119	110	103 $\frac{4}{10}$	125	86
1889.....	110	766	876	651	122	103	100 $\frac{7}{10}$	126	74
1890.....	103	774	877	671	111	95	101 $\frac{1}{2}$	122	81
1891.....	95	939	1034	799	118	117	103 $\frac{7}{10}$	126	90
1892.....	117	866	983	740	131	112	112 $\frac{4}{10}$	132	87
1893.....	112	871	983	742	119	122	121 $\frac{9}{10}$	142	101
1894.....	122	902	1024	777	131	116	113	131	91
1895.....	116	968	1084	843	135	106	111 $\frac{8}{10}$	132	95
1896.....	106	1034	1140	881	144	115	112	133	96
1897.....	115	1039	1154	902	139	113	118 $\frac{4}{10}$	137	101
1898.....	113	1170	1283	1016	146	121	123 $\frac{5}{10}$	241	89
1899.....	121	1083	1204	913	156	135	119 $\frac{7}{10}$	144	99
			28,420						

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS

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*To the Directors of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut :*

GENTLEMEN :—The Board of Visitors take pleasure in again expressing their gratification, not only with the general conduct of the Hospital, but particularly in the realization of another of the most pressing needs of the institution—an adequate kitchen. The new Maternity building is also a most desirable addition.

In looking back through the yearly reports of the Board of Visitors, it is a source of pride to be able to note that so many improvements have already been made in the plant and methods of the Hospital, and encourages us to hope that increased prosperity will, at an early date, enable the directors to make still further progress in needed directions.

We particularly call attention to the desirability of substituting modern closets for the few of obsolete pattern still to be found in the building.

We also desire to again recommend that rubber matting be laid in all of the corridors.

Respectfully submitted,

MAX ADLER, *Chairman*.

J. F. CORCORAN.

WILLIAM A. BEARDSLEY.

ALBERT B. HILL.

DWIGHT E. BOWERS, *Sec'y*.







NEW NURSES' DINING-ROOM.

# THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF LADY VISITORS

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*To the Directors of the General Hospital Society of Connecticut :*

GENTLEMEN :—This Board has held its regular monthly meetings, at which were considered the written reports of the sub-committees, each of them appointed to visit once or twice a week throughout the past year. These tours included an inspection of the workings of the administrative departments, and visits to most of the buildings. In the uniform tenor of the reports has been manifested the nearly perfect satisfaction of this board at the conduct in affairs, so far as was observed by them in pushing about unannounced, or so far as could be learned by frequent conversations with the patients. This year marks, then, a further advance in the science of the care of the sick and injured, and in all that pertains thereto.

The completion of the kitchen building corrects a time-worn defect in that very important department, and the added nurses' dining-room and servants' quarters greatly increase the comfort, and at the same time relieve the congested conditions elsewhere, to some extent at least. When the new Maternity building, now well along, is finished, further relief will result, while perfecting a technical department to its highest degree.

One of the important needs of the Hospital now is a suitable elevator, for the gentle handling of the very sick and wounded, to whom even small experiences are often vital. We trust soon to learn that some generous donor has completed the fund for that purpose, now so slowly growing.

We compliment all the officials upon another year well and successfully employed.

L. F. COWLES, *Chairman.*

J. W. HAWKES, *Secretary.*

# CONNECTICUT

## TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES

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The Training School for Nurses has been established for twenty-six years. At first the number of pupils was limited to six; within two years it was increased to eleven, then to fourteen, and these not being sufficient to meet the many demands for special and continuous attention which critical cases required, the Prudential Committee raised the number to seventeen in 1880, to nineteen in 1882, and to twenty-three in 1883. In 1884 the number was made to depend upon the number of patients in the Hospital, and averaged during the past year with the head nurse and assistant 43.4. The pupils remain in the school for two years, pursuing their studies and daily routine of work under the charge of the Superintendent of Nursing. Each nurse is assigned to one ward or department for several weeks, and in the course of a year has studied surgical, medical and obstetrical nursing, and also the preparation of special dishes suitable for invalids and convalescents. Symptom records are kept, to enable the physician to ascertain the varied phases of disease, since he last saw his patient.

At the close of the term of study in the Hospital, the nurse has a vacation of one month, and then returns to take for eight months such cases of private practice and missionary nursing as shall be assigned her. Her home is in the Hospital, when her services are not called for elsewhere, and the school pays the board of all the nurses there in excess of the number allowed.

The Hospital authorities appreciate most highly the advantages of having this school established here. Those who enter it either have a special gift for nursing, or with a true spirit of self-sacrifice have devoted themselves to the noble work of ministering to others; consequently the duties of the depart-

ment are performed more faithfully and more skillfully than in former years, when it was thought that strength was the only requisite in a nurse.

Those wishing to receive this course of instruction must apply to the Secretary of the School, when, if approved by the executive committee, they will be accepted as pupils in the Hospital. The candidates must be over twenty-three and under thirty-five years of age, and present a certificate from a clergyman and physician as to their good moral character and sound health. They will be received for one month on probation and without compensation.

Information concerning the school will be furnished by the President or other members of the executive committee.

Pupils are received from any State.

Application for admission should be made as early as possible to the Secretary, Miss Emily Betts, No. 3 Hillhouse avenue, New Haven.

Physicians or others, in any part of the State, desiring to secure the services of trained nurses for men or women, medical or surgical patients, should apply by telegraph, telephone or letter, stating the nature of the case, to the Superintendent of Nursing, New Haven Hospital.

The price per week for services of a trained nurse is \$15.00,\* unless two members of the family are ill at the same time, when there will be a slight additional charge. It cannot be too strongly impressed upon the public that it is more economical and safer for the patient to employ a reliable nurse, than to indulge in a natural but misplaced sentiment which sacrifices the strength of an entire family in the care of one invalid member.

\* An extra charge is made for nursing contagious diseases.

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